

Minutes of BSAACT committee meeting held 26 May 2021 at CSCC -Woden.

- 1. Meeting opened:** 7.07pm
- 2. Present:** Nick Payne, Leigh Condon, Shreyas Kumar, Pat Wadsworth
- 3. Apologies:** Loraine O'Bryan, Mark O'Neill
- 4. Minutes of meeting held 17 March 2021:** no amendments
Moved to accept: Leigh Condon. Seconded: Pat Wadsworth. Carried
- 5. Correspondence:**
 1. The resignation of Shreyas Kumar with effect this meeting was tabled and accepted. The President had asked that he be thanked for his contributions to the organisation especially during the Covid-19 critical period.
 2. An invitation to a Sport & Recreation morning tea was not taken up because of the president's hospitalisation.
- 6. Treasurer's Report:** Leigh Condon advised the meeting the current balances of the BSAACT accounts were \$9593.28 in the operating account and \$5162.68 in the development account. The main outgoings were for insurance (\$845) and purchase of new Rule books (\$60). Income was from fees for the Refereeing Course ((\$900) and membership and competition fees (\$1395).
Moved the Report be accepted: Nick Payne. Seconded Shreyas Kumar. Carried.
- 7. Business Arising:**
 - I.** A report was tabled regarding the individual Target and 'A' grade Billiards Championships which had Bob Fraser become the 2021 Target Champion and Ken Bromley the 2021 'A' Grade Champion. Moved to accept report: Pat Wadsworth, Seconded: Nick Payne. Carried
 - II.** There was much discussion on the design and 'useability' of the BSAACT website. It was agreed that a more user-friendly design would be an advantage to new and existing members. Pat Wadsworth will investigate some options and report back to next meeting. Shreyas Kumar has offered to assist her. **Action Pat Wadsworth.**
 - III.** Leigh Condon briefly described the Refereeing Course and suggested the following dates for practical sessions: 18.07, 15.08, 19.09, 17.10, and 21.11. He will circulate these dates to the trainee referees for concurrence. **Action Leigh Condon.**
 - IV.** It was reported that the Junior tables are finally in country and the Association should shortly receive the final invoice for the outstanding cost.
 - V.** The on-going problem of inviting new younger players to our sport was discussed at some length. Suggestions to come from those discussions were:
 - i. to get some of the existing players who are involved in workplaces that may use younger staff (eg. ANU) to actively recruit from their work colleagues,
 - ii. design a QR code to link to the website for easier access to information.
 - VI.** Leigh Condon informed the meeting that the President had met with CSCC Management in regard to the maintenance of the tables at Woden and Jamison. CSCC has agreed to apply a maintenance schedule to the tables with the focus to be the tables at Jamison as a priority. Further meetings will present definite time-frames for this maintenance.
 - VII.** Leigh Condon informed the meeting that the first registration for interest in a Seniors Snooker group was less than overwhelming with only 1 person expressing interest. The registration will continue for the next 2 Wednesdays at Jamison to hopefully attract sufficient numbers to carry the project forward.
- 8 Other Business:**
 1. Leigh Condon will arrange to have Shreyas Kumar removed from the Account use, and stop any further correspondence from the Account being addressed to him. **Action Leigh.**
 2. The President asked the Meeting to record a vote of thanks to Eneasz Sokolowski as the Competition Director for his contribution to the re-installing of competitions during the Covid-19 crisis.
 3. The meeting was informed that the Registration day for the Junior Development Program is to be held on the 19 June at the CSCC – Woden.
 4. There was much debate on how our competitions can be structured in the future to better suit the needs of both existing and future members. It was decided that committee members should share their ideas on email and have a number of proposals to consider for the next meeting. **Action – all committee members.**
 5. Nick Payne has agreed to place the logos of the National sponsors on the website.

Action – Nick Payne.

6. Pat Wadsworth as convenor for the Women in Snooker ACT has reported to the meeting her disappointment at the lack of desire of the women who have been encouraged in playing snooker in Canberra to contribute to, agree with, or be involved in furthering the participation of women in snooker & billiards in Canberra. She hopes with the support of Loraine O'Bryan to continue to look at ways to get more women playing and contributing to the game.

Action – Pat Wadsworth.

7. There was much discussion on how to attract new members including those mentioned in Business Arising (V i & ii). There was also the idea of colourful 'recruiting' posters placed on our lockers and/or the snooker security cupboards, and given out to members to place in workplace environs. **Action – Pat Wadsworth to bring a design to the notice of committee.**

8. Leigh Condon put a suggestion from the President that the Pizza night following the registration evening was well received by the members present, and that we have a similar evening following the current competition and extend the invitation to members to bring their partners with a token cost for their attendance. While the idea of partners paying a small fee to attend was agreed, Pat Wadsworth put the suggestion that we hold this at the end of the year so more members might be encouraged to attend as more trophies would have been awarded by then. Moved that the next Pizza night be our end-of-year function by Pat Wadsworth, seconded Nick Payne, Carried.

Other Business:

Shreyas Kumar raised the idea that each committee meeting be attended by a team representative from 1 snooker team and 1 billiards team. The committee would be responsible to establish a roster to ensure all teams were well aware of who was expected to provide a player for the next meeting, and all current teams would be included in the roster.

This suggestion was endorsed by the committee. **Further Action to be taken.**

There being no other business the meeting was declared closed at 8.35pm.

The next meeting is to be at CSCC -Woden on the 14 July 2021 commencing 7.00pm